

Ezra: Repent

Text: Ezra 9

Purpose: Understanding repentance and how it helps us to get to a better place with God.

Opening Question: *Are you a person that changes your mind often or knows exactly what you want?*

Read and Discuss: Ezra 9

1. *In Ezra 9:3-7, what is Ezra's reaction to the weight of the people's distance from God?*
2. *How do you respond to the weight of the wrong you see in our culture?*
3. *What is confession? Is it healthy to confess your sins? How does confession lead you to a better place with God?*
4. *In Ezra 9:13-15, what is the biggest shift in Ezra's thinking about the sin of the people? Why is it important that we look at ourselves first before we look at our culture?*
5. *What's the biggest challenge with repentance? How has repentance helped you? How should we include repentance in our prayer lives?*